

5650 Ellis Avenue

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Mr. William F. Loomis  
The Rockefeller Foundation  
49 West 49th Street  
New York 20, New York

Dear Mr. Loomis:

All of us enjoyed your visit very much and hope that you will come back here before long. Today I am writing you concerning a visit of Dr. E. Klieneberger-Nobel to this country. I understand Dr. Klieneberger-Nobel will be in New York about the middle of November. Several people here in the Midwest, including Lederberg and ourselves, are very anxious to talk to her about her work concerning the L forms of bacteria. Our laboratory is planning to do some work on these L forms in the near future, if enough is known about them to permit us to develop quantitative methods.

I am writing to ask whether the Rockefeller Foundation would be prepared to pay her traveling expenses from New York to Chicago, Madison, and back to New York in an amount not exceeding \$250.00. If you will let us have your decision, perhaps you could also make some suggestion how the money should be handled—whether it should be paid directly by you to Dr. Klieneberger-Nobel or whether you would want to pay it to the University of Chicago, earmarked for my research budget, and have us reimburse Dr. Klieneberger-Nobel.

With best wishes,

Very sincerely yours,

  
Leo Szilard

LS/sds  
cc: J. Lederberg ✓  
T. H. Davies